THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Yoshinori KADOTA, et al.

Filed : Concurrently herewith

For : TAPE CARRIER FOR SEMICONDUCTOR...

Serial No. : Concurrently herewith

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to the issuance of an Office Action, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 and 2" replace with "Claim 1",

Claim 4, line 1 delete "one of Claims 1 and 2" replace with "Claim 1",

Claim 7, line 1, delete "one of Claims 5 and 6" replace with "Claim 5",

Claim 8, line 1, delete "one of Claims 5 and 6" replace with "Claim 5",

Claim 9, line 2, delete "one of Claims 1 to 4" replace with "Claim 1",

Claim 10, line 2, delete "one of Claims 1 to 4" replace with "Claim 1"

REMARKS

This amendment has been filed to avoid improper multiple dependent claims.

Favorable consideration is respectfully Aequested.

Respectfully Submitted

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